Public Notice – Environmental Project

PURPOSE OF NOTICE:

The Department of Environmental Quality seeks public comment on the state's response to the environmental aspects of a proposed project in the City of Virginia Beach.

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD:

December 2, 2011 to December 29, 2011

TYPE OF RESPONSE:

Federal Consistency Determination

DEQ is reviewing a proposed federal activity to determine if it is consistent with the Virginia Coastal Zone Management Program (VCP) established pursuant to the U.S. Coastal Zone Management Act. The VCP seeks to protect the quality of air, water or other natural resources in Virginia's coastal area.

NAME OF AGENCY PROPOSING THE PROJECT:

DHS/U.S. Coast Guard

PROJECT DESCRIPTION:

The Department of Homeland Security (DHS) U.S. Coast Guard (USCG) proposes to demolish three antennae and install one transmitter antenna at the USCG Communication Area Master Station Atlantic (CAMSLANT) Pungo, at 1900 Indian River Road in the City of Virginia Beach. Demolition activities include the removal of all antenna components at Towers #9, #10 (MF Transmit Antenna #31) and Transmit Antenna NX-23 (which hangs between Towers #9 and #10), to include poles, foundations, guy pads, ground radials, anchoring devices, transformers, boxes, cabling and fencing. The installation of a new lighted, 300-foot Tower #10 would be centered between the existing Tower #9 and Tower #10 approximately 300 feet to the west of the existing Tower #10. Construction would include foundations, guy pads, anchors, tower, ground plane, an Automatic Tuning Unit (ATU), and climbing systems. Tower lighting will be coordinated and registered with the Federal Aviation Administration. A 144 linear foot security fence will surround the tower base. USCG has submitted a federal consistency determination that finds the proposed action consistent, to the maximum extent practicable, with the enforceable policies of the Virginia Coastal Zone Management Program.

HOW TO COMMENT:

DEQ accepts comments from the public by e-mail, fax or postal mail. All comments must include the name, address and telephone number of the person commenting and be received by DEQ within the comment period. The public may review the project documents at DEQ's central office in Richmond.

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